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SUBJ: CONGRATULATIONS ON SYRIAN APRIL 17 INDEPENDENCE DAY

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT ASAD:

QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON THE OCCASION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR INDEPENDENCE, I WISH TO EXTEND TO YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, AND TO THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF SYRIA, CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. AS SYRIA MOVES INTO ITS 30TH YEAR OF INDEPENDENCE, THE UNITED STATES WISHES CONTINUED PROSPERITY AND SUCCESS FOR YOU AND YOUR COUNTRYMEN AND PEACE AND JUSTICE FOR ALL IN THE MIDDLE EAST. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON. END QUOTE.

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN RELEASE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION TO RELEASE BY GOS. KISSINGER

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